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**SELECTED ITEMS  
FOR  
WORLD HISTORY II**

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## World History II

### DIRECTIONS

Read each question and choose the best answer.

- 1 The People's Republic of China was established by communists who were led by —**

A Deng Xiaoping  
B Mao Zedong  
C Chiang Kai-shek  
D Qiang Jing

- 2 By the 1700s, in which nation were conditions *best* suited for the Industrial Revolution?**

F France  
G Germany  
H Spain  
J England

- 3 Which of these was a problem caused by the Industrial Revolution?**

A Reduced spending on military goods  
B Sharing of profits with workers  
C Exploitation of children in factory jobs  
D Increase in isolationist policies

- 4 Louis XIV of France, Frederick the Great of Prussia, and Peter the Great of Russia were all —**

F kings who allowed democratic reforms in their countries  
G descended from the same queen, Victoria of England  
H kings who were killed by their own people  
J absolute rulers of their nations

- 5 One immediate result of World War II was that —**

A Germany and Japan maintained regional power  
B the Socialists controlled Western Europe  
C the Soviet Union became a superpower  
D England and France increased their overseas holdings

**6 Which of these international organizations was created during the Cold War and grew in importance after the collapse of the communist states in Eastern Europe?**

- F** North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)
- G** Organization of American States (OAS)
- H** United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)
- J** Council for Mutual Economic Assistance (COMECON)

**7 What expanded the circulation of literary works during the Renaissance?**

- A** Improved advertising
- B** The printing press
- C** Unity in Europe
- D** The support of the church

**8 Which of the following national leaders of World War II is *not* correctly matched with his country?**

- F** Benito Mussolini—Italy
- G** Adolf Hitler—Germany
- H** Tojo Hideki—Japan
- J** Joseph Stalin—France

**9 Which of these events was *most* responsible for the increase in urban population in 19th-century European cities?**

- A** Farm workers moving to the cities
- B** Peasants moving westward from Russia
- C** Peasants moving north from Mediterranean countries
- D** Colonial subjects moving into Europe

**10 Who proved that blood circulates through the human body?**

- F** Benjamin Franklin
- G** William Harvey
- H** Isaac Newton
- J** Johannes Kepler

### Answer Key

Test Sequence	Correct Answer
1	B
2	J
3	C
4	J
5	C
6	F
7	B
8	J
9	A
10	G

